



Texas Cattle on Feed

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Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in Texas feedlots with capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 2.45 million head on March 1, 2015, down 1 percent from a year ago. According to the monthly report released by the Texas Field Office, the estimate was down 2 percent from the February 1, 2015 level. Producers placed 285 thousand head in commercial feedlots during February, down 30 percent from a year ago and down 19 percent from January.

Texas commercial feeders marketed 315 thousand head during February, down 13 percent from 2014 and down 9 percent from January.

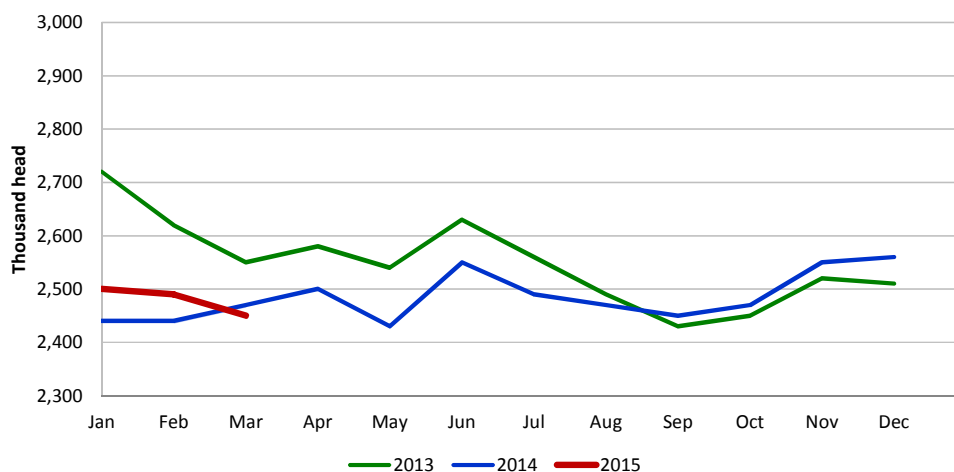
On March 1, there were 2.17 million head of cattle and calves on feed in the Northern High Plains, 88 percent of the state's total. The number on feed across the area was up 1 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the February 1 total.

February placements in the Northern High Plains totaled 246 thousand head, down 21 percent from the January total. Marketings were down 11 percent from last month to 273 thousand head.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the **United States** in feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 head or more totaled 10.7 million head on March 1, 2015. This inventory was down 1 percent from March 1, 2014.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.52 million head, 8 percent below February 2014. February placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds totaled 330 thousand head; 600-699 pounds totaled 270 thousand head; 700-799 pounds totaled 388 thousand head; 800 pounds and greater totaled 535 thousand head. Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.52 million head, 2 percent below 2014.

Texas Cattle on Feed Inventory



**Cattle and Calves: Placements, Marketings, Other Disappearance and
Inventory in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlot**

State	Cattle and Calves									
	On feed February 1		Placed on feed during February		Marketed during February		Other Disappearance during February		On feed March 1	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Arizona.....	272	247	28	19	27	19	1	4	272	243
California	520	440	38	50	55	43	3	7	500	440
Colorado.....	950	890	135	130	155	145	10	5	920	870
Idaho.....	210	230	37	31	41	29	1	2	205	230
Iowa.....	660	650	86	85	74	74	2	1	670	660
Kansas	2,050	2,090	335	355	315	355	10	10	2,060	2,080
Minnesota.....	136	141	11	18	12	13	1	1	134	145
Nebraska.....	2,430	2,500	430	390	375	385	15	15	2,470	2,490
Oklahoma.....	265	265	43	42	36	30	2	2	270	275
South Dakota.....	220	230	39	41	36	35	3	1	220	235
Texas.....	2,440	2,490	410	285	360	315	20	10	2,470	2,450
Washington	200	210	38	43	36	36	2	2	200	215
Other States	325	330	28	34	27	37	1	2	325	325
United States	10,678	10,713	1,658	1,523	1,549	1,516	71	62	10,716	10,658

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed by Weight Group, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots¹

State	During February									
	Less than 600 pounds		600-699 pounds		700-799 pounds		800 pounds or more		Total	
	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015	2014	2015
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
Colorado.....	30	25	25	25	35	35	45	45	135	130
Kansas	60	60	60	65	90	95	125	135	335	355
Nebraska.....	65	60	90	65	105	95	170	170	430	390
Texas.....	155	100	90	50	100	75	65	60	410	285
Other States	80	85	65	65	88	88	115	125	348	363
United States ..	390	330	330	270	418	388	520	535	1,658	1,523

¹ Oklahoma is included in *Other States*.

**Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements, Marketings and Other Disappearance,
1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, United States, March 1, 2014-15**

Item	Number		Percent of previous year
	2014	2015	
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	
On feed February 1 ¹	10,678	10,713	100
Placed on feed during February.....	1,658	1,523	92
Fed cattle marketed during February.....	1,549	1,516	98
Other disappearance during February ²	71	62	87
On feed March 1 ¹	10,716	10,658	99

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

² Included death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

Texas Cattle and Calves on Feed in 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by District

Cattle and Calves	District 11	District 12	District 21	District 70	District 81	District 96	Other districts	State total
	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>	<i>1,000 head</i>
On feed February 1, 2015 ¹	2,200	133	33	13	29	53	29	2,490
Placed on feed during February.....	246	18	4	4	4	7	2	285
Fed cattle marketed during February.....	273	20	5	3	3	7	4	315
Other disappearance during February ²	8	1	0	0	0	1	0	10
On feed March 1, 2015 ¹	2,165	130	32	14	30	52	27	2,450

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